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**FEROUS METALS
AND OTHER HEAVY INDUSTRY**

PROGRESS IN THE BOR MINE -- Clas, No 1130, 12 Feb 49

The workers' collective of the Bor mine was proclaimed the best in its field for 1948 by the Central Committee of the Association of Trade Unions of Yugoslavia and the Ministry of Mines. The plan for copper production, the most important of the Bor products, was fulfilled 105 percent. The production plan for daily extraction, and for the smelter, flotation, and other sections, was also exceeded. In 1948 the collective at Bor began to produce rolled copper, which had not been produced in Yugoslavia before. Through 1947, pumice stone was produced at Bor in powder form. As a result of the expansion and improvement of the technical process, the production of pumice stone in crystal form was begun in 1948.

The plan for extracting ore in Bor was increased 23 percent in 1948, in comparison with 1947. This plan was exceeded, although the number of workers remained the same as in 1948, because of the mechanization of certain operations in the mines and the improvement of discipline and organization of work. The smelting furnace fulfilled its plan 105 percent. The replacement of graphite furnaces with crucibles accelerated the melting of bronze. Ore loading was mechanized, and at present work is in progress toward mechanizing the crushing and loading of sinter. Because of manpower shortage, some workers in the smelting plants worked at two or three furnaces each.

NEW SMELTING PLANT FOR TREPCA -- Borba, No 38, 14 Feb 49

A new smelting plant was put into operation at Trepoa on 13 February, 3 days ahead of schedule. It is expected to increase the production of raw lead in the enterprise by 50 percent.

The entire plant, from floor to ceiling, machinery, piers, furnaces, and everything else, including the smallest tools, was made by the "Djuro

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Djakovic" and "Jastrebac" enterprises, by installation teams from the Bor and Mexica mines, or by other Yugoslav enterprises.

IRONWORKS CONTINUES HIGH PRODUCTION -- Borba, No 37, 13 Feb 49

The workers' collective of the Ironworks at Store, which was proclaimed the best in ferrous metallurgy for 1948, exceeded its January plan by 18.87 percent.

CEMENT WORKERS BEAT PLAN -- Rad, No 24, 28 Jan 49

The workers of the "Prvoborac" Cement Factory have surpassed their 20-day plan by 10 percent. Each worker is producing 28 percent more than in 1939, when the factory was in capitalist hands.

The workers' collective is also working on preparations for repairing and enlarging the capacity of the factory.

GYPSUM PRODUCTION FOR JANUARY -- Rad, No 24, 28 Jan 49

The workers' collective of the "Tempo" enterprise for gypsum production fulfilled its monthly plan on 20 January, 11 days before the deadline; by 24 January the collective had surpassed the plan by 21 percent.

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